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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the aboveidentified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record. This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted:

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